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ARTICLE - "THE ANGOLAN WAR - FED THROUGH THE CANNON OF CUBA,"

WRITTEN BY LEADING COLUMNIST JOSE RAUL FLOREZ IN HIGH CIRCULATION

LA PRESNSA GRAFICA. FLOREZ HITS HARD AT CUBAN-RUSSIAN

INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA AND ATTRIBUTES THIS TRAGIC INVOLVEMENT TO SOVI

ET

DOMINATION OF DUBA.

PARTIAL TEXT:

"EL HECHO DE LA INTERVENCION RUSA EN LA EXCOLONIA PORTUGUESA, NO ES NINGUNA NOVEDAD. LO QUE APARECE COMO UNA NUEVA MODALIDAD EN ESTE CASO, ES LA PARTICIPACION DE FUERZAS MILITARES CUBANAS, CUYO NUMERO SE CALCULA ENTRE TRES Y OCHO MIL EFECTIVOS, MUCHOS DE LOS CUALES YA PERDIERON LA VIDA Y OTROS HAN CAIDO PRISIONEROS SIN SABER HASTA AHORA POR QUE ESTAN COMBATIENDO, SEGUN DECLARACIONES DE ESTOS ULTIMOS...

"LA CARNE DE CANON QUE HACE FALTA A LOS LIDERES DE LA FACCION PRO-SOVIETICA LA PROPORCIONA EL TIRANO QUE LOS RUSOS TIENEN A SU SERVICIO EN CUBA. Y SEGUN LAS ULTIMAS NOTICIAS, LOS MUERTOS Y LOS PRISIONEROS PERTENECIENTES A LAS FUERZAS EXPEDICIONARIAS CUBANAS, SON MORENITOS, Y MUY RARAS VECES BLANCOS.

"ESOS TRE U OCHO MIL CUBANOS QUE PUEDEN PARECER EN ANGOLA, SIGNIFICAN MUY POCO PARA LA ECONOMIA DEL REGIMEN CASTRISTA. MAS EN EL FUTURO, UNA VEZ ASEGURADO EL NUEVO ORDEN, MUCHOS MILLARES DE MORENITOS PUEDEN SER EXPORTADOS Y EN TAL CASO LA SITUACION EN CUBA MEJORARIA BASTANTE... A CASTRO NO LE QUEDA OTRO CAMINO QUE OBEDECER LAS ORDENES DE MOSCU, CUALQUIERA QUE SE LA

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TRISTE SUERTE DEL PUEBLO CUBANO".

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